



## EDITORIAL COMMENT

The postoffice and the banks are closed today.

Who was the shepherd at Shepherdsville to look after the flock?

Beunos Aires is seething with anti-German demonstrations.

Tobacco is one thing that everybody wants high. Let 'er soar.

Bishop Woodcock preached here Sunday and his morning sermon was a great patriotic deliverance.

The Good Fellows made many little hearts glad at the Christmas tree last night at Hotel Latham.

The Kentuckian's carrier boys will round this morning with their Christmas greeting and "don't forget to remember them."

It is about time for American brides to quit marching in to German wedding marches. Have we no American Mendelssohns and Lohengrins?

Gov. Campbell, Arizona's Republican Governor, who won in a close election in 1916, has been ousted by a decision of the Arizona Supreme Court in the contest brought by G. W. P. Hunt, the Democratic candidate, and Hunt is seated on a recount.

Secretary Baker is trying to work out a plan to let soldiers who are farmer boys go home on lengthy furloughs during their crop seasons. He evidently forgets that the crop season everywhere except in Australia is also the fighting season.

One of the survivors of the Shepherdsville wreck says Conductor Campbell, when he saw the fast train bearing down upon his train, ran through the car exclaiming "God's mercy." The conductor was killed with the prayer on his lips.

The Senate committee investigating the sugar shortage kept Mr. Hoover waiting as a witness while a long list of sugar men were heard Friday and Saturday. Mr. Hoover appears to be losing some of his popularity since he has failed to bring high prices down.

### Judge Bush Vindicated.

The Court of Appeals has affirmed the lower court in the Lube Martin case from Calloway county and Martin's death sentence will be carried out. This is the case in which Gen. Bennett H. Young recently appeared for the negro and made an attack on Judge C. H. Bush, taking the ground that Martin was not given a fair trial and summing up a number of reasons why a new trial should be granted. The court's action in the matter is a vindication of Judge Bush, who presided in the trial of the case. The attack upon him was out of place and ill-advised and the sequel shows did not help Martin's cause. In a subsequent newspaper article General Young again severely criticised Judge Bush's official acts, but the highest court in the State seems to take a different view of the case.

## L. & N. WRECK TOLL IS 46

Many of Those Injured In The Shepherdsville Crash Die Within a Few Hours.

### LIST OF THE DEAD GROWS

Worst Horror In The History of Kentucky Railroad Disasters.

Shepherdsville, Ky., Dec. 21.—The death toll taken Thursday night when Louisville & Nashville passenger train No. 7 from Cincinnati to New Orleans, crashed into the rear end of a Louisville, Bardstown & Springfield accommodation train a few hundred feet south of the railroad station here, has reached 46.

The number of killed was at first placed by W. F. Sheridan, superintendent of the Louisville division of the Louisville & Nashville, at 38. Revision of this figure caused by additional deaths from among those badly injured increased the total to 46.

#### IDENTIFIED DEAD.

David Maraman, Shepherdsville.  
Mrs. Carrie May Simmons, Shepherdsville.  
Mrs. R. H. H. Miller, Bardstown.  
Mrs. Arch Pulliam, Bardstown.  
Tim Thompson, Bardstown.  
Mrs. Tom Moore, Sr., Bardstown.  
Mrs. Mack Miller, Bardstown.  
W. Mack Miller, Bardstown.  
Mrs. H. H. Mashburn, Bardstown.  
Rev. John Phillips, Bardstown.  
Ben Talbot, Bardstown.  
R. C. Cherry, Bardstown.  
Mrs. Kate Lee, Bardstown Junction.  
Jim Morrison, 12 years old, Bardstown Junction.  
George Duke, Bardstown Junction.  
Virginia Duke, 12 years old, Bardstown Junction.  
Father E. A. Bertello, Chapeze.  
W. H. Thompson, New Hope.  
Mrs. Tom Miller, New Hope.  
Flagman Greenwell (on No. 41), Louisville.  
Conductor Campbell (on No. 41), Louisville.  
Forrest Overall, High Grove.  
Emory Samuels, Deatsville.  
Thomas Spalding, Springfield.  
J. W. Stansberry, Bardstown Junction.  
Nat W. Muir, 65, banker, Bardstown, Ky.  
Mrs. John Phillips, 50, Bardstown, Ky.  
Mrs. Altha Simms, Springfield, Ky.  
Elizabeth McElroy, 16, Springfield, Ky.  
Josie Bridges, 18, Deatsville, Ky.  
Hollie Bridges, 20, Deatsville, Ky.  
Lucas Moore, 60, Louisville, Ky.  
Frank Nunn, 28, Louisville.  
Mrs. Daniel Nuan, 38, Shepherdsville.  
Raymond Cravens, infant, Louisville.  
Mrs. Mattie Harmon, Shepherdsville.  
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## CHRISTMAS GIFT!

As a Christmas gift to Hopkinsville and Christian county, the Kentuckian announces that beginning early in the new year, the tri-weekly paper will be changed into a morning daily. This decision has been reached at the close of a prosperous year, in which the need of a larger field to handle the Kentuckian's increasing business has been felt many times. There will be a delay of a few weeks in getting the necessary equipment, but the details are being worked out in the meantime and the daily will start with its success assured in advance. It will come out every morning except Monday, and there will be a weekly edition. The subscribers to the tri-weekly who have paid in advance will be transferred to either the daily or weekly as they may prefer. The subscription prices will be \$3 per year for the daily and \$1 for the weekly by mail.

It is not out of place to add that the Kentuckian is one of Hopkinsville's oldest business enterprises. Under one name and another it has been published for more than 70 years, and for the last 38 years under the same management. It occupies its own building in the business center of the city and is backed by ample capital to guarantee its future. The publisher is a veteran in the newspaper game. In fact there are only two or three publishers in the State who have been in it longer. He is old enough to know what he is doing but is not too old to start a daily. In fact he is younger than Columbus was when he started a bigger thing by discovering the continent of America. While he has passed the draft age, he has not yet reached Dr. Osier's deadline and comes from a family of octogenarians who have for five generations lived to be from 78 to 90 years of age. It is likewise true that he is not as old as President Wilson, Teddy Roosevelt and the Kaiser, all of whom are still leaders on more or less active lives. Incidentally it may be added that he is not as old as the heads of three of the city's banking institutions, the leading manufacturing concern, the park system and other local activities. He is younger than the county's "Wheat King," its "Tobacco King" or its "Turkey King." He is still a boy compared to the head of the Standard Oil Co., the head of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad, the Confederate Veteran's Association or the Grand Army of the Republic. So, while the paper is old and the editor is no spring chicken, there is going to be some lively hustling done by the new daily. Just get in line and let's pull for everything that is best for Hopkinsville.

Won't you take it?

## OLD COMPANY'S NEW NAME

Increase of Capital Stock and Change of Name Made.

### CAYCE-YOST COMPANY

Executive and Managing Officers Remain as Heretofore.

The F. A. Yost Co. has changed its name to Cayce-Yost Co. and filed amended articles of incorporation, increasing the capital stock to \$100,000. The company's largely increased business has made this necessary. It will continue to do a general hardware business at the same stand, with D. D. Cayce President and H. A. Yost Secretary and Treasurer.

### Bardstown's Three Wrecks.

A day or two before Christmas in 1888, a bad wreck occurred at Bardstown Junction, in which loved citizens of Bardstown were scalded and torn. Eighteen years ago at Gap-in-Knob the Bardstown accommodation, resting partly on the main line and partly on the siding, suffered a rear-end collision in which Bardstown people of prominence were killed and injured. This time 46 people were killed, nearly half of them from Bardstown.

## TWO NIGHTS TO BE LIGHTLESS

Order Issued by Fuel Administrator Put Into Effect.

Nashville, Ten, Dec. 21.—Lightless nights were put into effect last night in Nashville, and will be put into effect in other cities in the state today by W. E. Myer, state fuel administrator, following the receipt of an order from the United States fuel administrator directing that there be two such nights in each week, Thursday nights and Sunday nights.

Under the new order "white ways" of all cities are to disappear absolutely on the nights designated, and there will be no electric signs or any other exterior lights. Burning of lights contrary to the letter and spirit of the order will constitute a violation of the law, and steps will be taken by the fuel administrator to meet out punishment to offenders.

The purpose of the order is two fold—first, it is to conserve the supply of coal, and next it is to bring home to the general public that the United States is at war.

### Weather for the Week

OHIO VALLEY—Light rain or snow first part of the week with rising temperature. Generally fair weather with seasonable temperature thereafter.

The Bolshevik crowd is evidently hunting an excuse to break with the allies while trying to make peace with Germany. Trotsky openly charges that the American Ambassador has been aiding Gen. Kaledines.

## COL. HENRY RETAINED

Recommissioned as Major in the National Guard at Hattiesburg.

### IN WAR RISK DIVISION

Recently Discharged Because of Physical Disability But Given Home Duty.

Washington, Dec. 24.—Col. Jouett Henry, Hopkinsville, until Dec. 6 commanding officer of the Third Kentucky Infantry, who was honorably discharged on account of physical disability, that in the eye of the War Department would unfit him for foreign service, was recommissioned Saturday by the Secretary of War as a Major in the National Guard of the United States. He was ordered to report at once to the Commanding General of the Thirty-eighth Division, Camp Shelby, Hattiesburg, Miss., for duty.

His recent discharge as Colonel of the 3d Regiment came as a great surprise to Colonel Henry and his many friends in the service, and he has been in Washington attempting to get a reopening of his case. The Secretary of War would not consent to a rehearing with a view to sending Col. Henry to France or to assign him to active command of any of the troops that are preparing for foreign duty because of the Kentuckian's physical condition. However, on account of the excellent work of this Kentucky officer, he was appointed to be a Major, the highest rank in the War Risk Insurance Division.

He obtained this reinstatement in the service after Senator James, in a conference with the Secretary of War, impressed Secretary Baker with the merits of Col. Henry's case.

## ELEVEN KILLED BY EXPLOSION

Accident in Nemo Mine Takes Toll of Lives.

Knoxville, Tenn., Dec. 24.—A special from Rockwood says 11 miners were killed in an explosion at mine No. 3 of the Barbour Coal & Coke company, Catoosa, about three miles west of Nemo, late Wednesday afternoon. Seventy-five were in the mine at the time, but only eleven were casualties.

### Three Fliers Killed.

Three British aviators in training at Ft. Worth were killed Friday when two machines collided in the air. The collision took place at a low altitude and less than half a mile from the landing field.

## CONDITION DESPERATE

Austro-German Armies Concentrating Forces to Make Attack at Monte Grappa

### YEAREND WILL BE BLOODY

Foe Prisoners Tell of Terrible Conditions Existing Among Troops in the Mountains.

On the fighting fronts, even in Italy the activity of the troops is below normal. In France and Belgium the fighting that is in progress is merely in the nature of out post encounters and bombardments, while on the northern Italian front the enemy has lost the initiative, which is entirely in the hands of General Diaz's men.

The situation on the Italian front is not expected long to remain as it is however for the Austro-Germans are constantly bringing up heavy reinforcements and a return to their offensive, which has in view the gaining of the Venetian plain, is to be expected. The enemy is faced by a hard task to accomplish his aims for it is a different army he must meet than that which retreated from the Isonzo.

Reinforced by British and French troops and newly equipped in every department, the Italians are now prepared to sell, and at a very dear price, every inch of ground the Austro-Germans take.

## YANKS FOUGHT WITH CROWBARS

Surrounded by Germans in Cambrai—No Unwounded Engineer Captured.

Paris, Dec. 24.—The conduct of the American engineers at Cambrai was praised in a letter written by General J. B. Seely, commanding a Canadian brigade, to Wilson Cross, vice-president of the American chamber of commerce in London, which was read to the American Luncheon club by F. B. Powell, the chairman.

"I am at home for a few days," General Seely wrote, "and before returning to France I cannot help telling you of the extraordinary gallant fight put up by a handful of American railway engineers during the second phase of the Cambrai battle. I happened to hear of it first hand and the facts are worth recording."

"They were running their train forward at dawn and laying a line in front of it when they found themselves surrounded by Germans. No man thought of surrendering. Some fired with rifles to cover the retreat and others fought hand to hand with crowbars and picks. Not one man of the party fell unwounded into the hands of the enemy."